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Mr. Clement P. Gurko
Administrator
NPBA Hospital
Tecoma, Washington

Dear Mr. Gurko:

On behalf of Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director of Central Intelligence, I would like to asknowledge and thank you very much for your letter of 18 November extending an invitation for a representative of this Agency to address the Downtown Tacoma Kiwanis Club.

It is sincerely regretted that we will be unable to send someone from the Agency to join you, even though you were good enough to leave the choice of a date to us. As you know, by and large, our position here is a silent, rather than a speaking one. However, your courtesy in writing to us about this is indeed appreciated.

Sincerely,

Assistant to the Director

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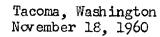
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Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C.

Dear sir:

On behalf of the Downtown Tacoma Kiwanis Club we should like to extend an invitation to your agency to have a representative address our club early in the forthcoming year. We feel that such a talk would be of tremendous importance to a better understanding of the world situation and possibly even domestic problems we face in the near future.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Clement P Gurko Administrator NPBA Hospital

Tacoma, Washington